



## OLYMPIA WARD LAKE YRE #2133

**Distance:** 10K, 5K  
**Difficulty Rating:** 1A

Enjoy views of Ward Lake as you walk in neighborhoods surrounding the lake. The city of Olympia's Kettle View Park was so named because it's close to several glacial kettles, which are large depressions in the ground formed by retreating glaciers.

Restrooms at the Starbucks (1301 Yelm Highway SE, Tumwater, WA 98501) across the street from the YMCA (start/finish point) for the 5K and 10K walks. For the 10K walk there are restrooms at Ward Lake and Kettle View Park. The only restroom on the 5K route is at the start point.

### **Walk Registration**

Registration takes place online using the AVA Online Start Box at [my.ava.org](http://my.ava.org). Follow the instructions provided to create a user account and sign the AVA waiver (one time). Instructions for payment are also included. Download the directions and print as needed.

### **Walk Completion and Walk Credit**

Once you have physically completed the walk, please login to your Online Start Box account; click on the "My Start Box" tab; then the "Finish Table" tab; then click on "Go to Finish Table" button for the event you have completed. Use the displayed entry form to submit the date and distance of your walk as well as select applicable AVA Special Programs to generate a stamped "virtual" insert card that you may print.

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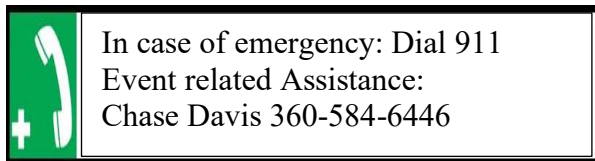
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**Start Point:** Briggs Community YMCA, 1530 Yelm Hwy SE, Olympia, WA.

Lat: 47.004426, Lng: -122.882367

**Driving Directions:** From I-5 southbound, take Exit 103 (2<sup>nd</sup> Avenue). Turn left on Custer Way SE. Turn right on Cleveland Avenue SE, which becomes Yelm Highway. Left on Briggs Drive SE (just before Henderson Boulevard traffic signal). Turn right on first street (Maple Lane), please park on Maple Lane. From I-5 northbound, take Exit 103 (Deschutes Way). Turn right on E Street SE and then turn left on Capitol Boulevard SE. Turn right on Custer Way SE. Turn right on Cleveland Avenue SE and then follow directions above. Restrooms are at the Starbucks (1301 Yelm Highway SE, Tumwater, WA) across the street from the YMCA, at Ward Lake, and at Kettle View Park.

1. With your back to the YMCA, turn **LEFT**.

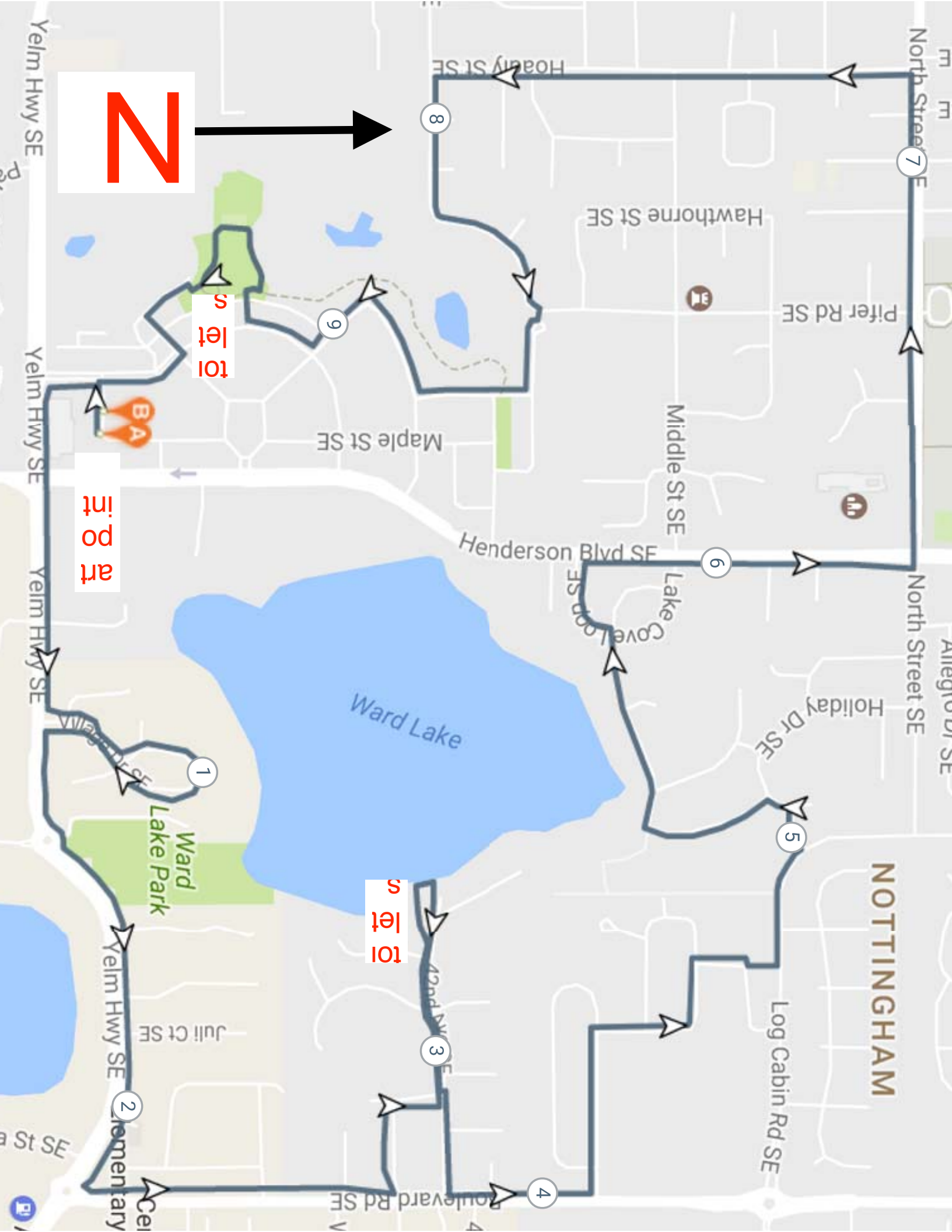
2. Walk to the corner (Briggs Drive).
3. **LEFT** on Briggs Drive.
4. **LEFT** on Yelm Highway.
5. **Cross** Henderson Boulevard at the traffic signal and continue **STRAIGHT** on Yelm Highway.
6. **LEFT** onto Village Drive (Sten Village neighborhood sign). Follow Village Drive as it curves right.
7. **LEFT** at Village Circle, **BEAR RIGHT** to stay on the main part of the street. The street circles around and becomes Village Drive again.
8. **LEFT** at the stop sign (Yelm Highway).
9. **LEFT** at the second roundabout (Boulevard Road). ARCO gas station is across the street. When the sidewalk ends, walk facing traffic in the bike lane.
10. When the sidewalk restarts, follow it a short distance until an opening in the shrubbery. **LEFT** on the sidewalk through the opening.
11. At the sidewalk T, **LEFT** and around the cul-de-sac, down the street, and to the T (Covey Street).
12. **RIGHT** on Covey Street.
13. At the T, **LEFT** on 42nd Avenue
14. **STRAIGHT** on 42nd Avenue, past Amber Court and the Ward Lake Heights neighborhood sign.
15. When the sidewalk ends, continue into the fenced area of the Ward Lake public access area. Rustic **TOILETS** on the **LEFT** (inside the fences). Walk down to the lake. Please watch your step and watch for vehicles.
16. Enjoy the lake view. Then turn around and walk back toward the entrance. Continue along 42nd Avenue using the sidewalk on the right.
17. When the sidewalk ends at Covey Street, **LEFT** to **CROSS** 42nd and then **RIGHT** and continue along 42nd facing traffic to the stop sign (Boulevard Road).
18. **LEFT** on Boulevard Road, walk facing traffic.
19. An asphalt path will start, but tree roots make it very uneven. Continue in the bike path to the next corner.
20. **LEFT** on Cedar Park Loop.
21. Continue **STRAIGHT**, passing street on left.
22. **RIGHT** at the first street on the right (Reading Street) which curves left to become Kildane Way.
23. **RIGHT** on Whitmore Drive, walking on the left side of the street.
24. When Whitmore Drive curves right, **LEFT** on the asphalt path.

25. **LEFT** at the sidewalk T (Log Cabin Road).
26. **LEFT** at Holiday Way.
27. **LEFT** at the T (Holiday Drive).
28. **LEFT** on Lakehills Drive, which curves right to become Lakewood Drive.
29. Lakewood Drive ends at the top of the hill, but take the asphalt path through the trees that connects to the next neighborhood (still Lakewood Drive).
30. **LEFT** at the first street (Lakecove Loop).
31. At the T, turn **RIGHT** on Henderson Boulevard.
32. At the traffic signal, cross **LEFT** (North Street).
33. **STRAIGHT** on North Street several blocks to Hoadly Street (Short Stop Grocery on corner).
34. **LEFT** on Hoadly Street.
35. **LEFT** at the T (South Street).
36. Follow South Street as it turns left, then curves right. When South Street curves left again (to become Pifer Road), carefully **CROSS** the street.
37. Continue **STRAIGHT** past the cul-de-sac and along the street (Brighton Way).
38. **RIGHT** on Seneca Street.
39. At the T, **RIGHT** on Harvest Avenue.
40. Harvest curves left to become Magnolia Drive.
41. At the stop sign, **RIGHT** on Briggs Drive.
42. **RIGHT** on the gravel path. The path turns to asphalt.
43. At the path T, turn **RIGHT** (Kettle View Park).
44. Take the first path to the **LEFT**. Follow the path around the park, past the tennis court.
45. Bear **RIGHT** at the Y. **BATHROOM** available in the building on the left.
46. Bear **RIGHT** at the next Y.
47. **RIGHT** on the sidewalk just before the parking lot.
48. **LEFT** at the T (Eagle Bend Drive).
49. **LEFT** at the first street (Dogwood Drive).
50. **CROSS** the next street (Briggs Drive) and turn **RIGHT**.
51. At the next street (Maple Lane), turn **LEFT** to return to your car.

**We hope you enjoyed your walk!**

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Henderson Blvd SE

Middle St SE

Lake Cove Loop SE

Holiday Dr SE

North Street SE

Ward Lake Park

Ward Lake

Julia Ct SE

Yelm Hwy SE

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42nd NW SE

Log Cabin Rd SE

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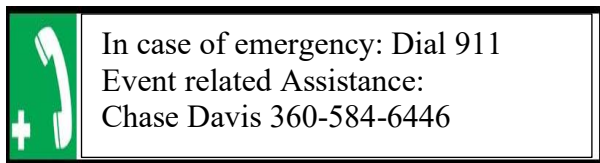
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1. With your back to the YMCA, turn **LEFT**.
2. Walk to the corner (Briggs Drive).
3. **LEFT** on Briggs Drive.
4. **LEFT** on Yelm Highway.

5. **Cross** Henderson Boulevard at the traffic signal and continue **STRAIGHT** on Yelm Highway.
6. **OPTIONAL DETOUR** to a Little Free Library. If you aren't doing that challenge, skip to #11.
7. **LEFT** onto Village Drive (Sten Village neighborhood sign). Follow Village Drive as it curves right.
8. **RIGHT** at Village Circle to cross Village Drive and an **IMMEDIATE RIGHT** to make a U-turn and go back on Village Drive, but on the opposite side.
9. After the Little Free Library, **CONTINUE** on Village Drive.
10. **LEFT** at the stop sign (Yelm Highway).
11. Continue past first roundabout (1k).
12. **LEFT** at the second roundabout (Boulevard Road). ARCO gas station across the street. When the sidewalk ends, carefully enter the street and walk facing traffic in the bike lane.
13. Past 42nd Avenue, an asphalt path will start, but tree roots make it very uneven. Continue in the bike path to the corner. (2k)
14. **LEFT** on Cedar Park Loop.
15. **STRAIGHT** past the street on the left.
16. **RIGHT** at the first street on the right (Reading Street) which curves left to become Kildane Way.
17. **RIGHT** on Whitmore Drive, walking on the left side of the street.
18. When Whitmore Drive curves right, turn **LEFT** on the asphalt path. (3k)
19. **LEFT** at the T (Log Cabin Road).
20. **LEFT** at the next street (Holiday Way).
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22. **LEFT** on Lakehills Drive, which curves right to become Lakewood Drive. Continue **STRAIGHT**.
23. Lakewood Drive ends at the top of the hill, but take the asphalt path through the trees that connects to the next neighborhood (still Lakewood Drive).
24. **LEFT** at the first street (Lakecove Loop). (4k)
25. At the T, carefully cross Henderson Boulevard and turn **LEFT**.
26. **RIGHT** at Orchard Lane. (This is the last street before the traffic signal).
27. **LEFT** at the T on the unmarked street (Maple Lane).
28. Follow Maple Lane as it turns right and return to your car.

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